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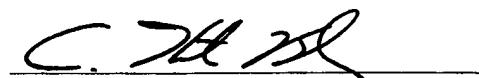
Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement mailed July 5, 2001 (Paper Number 6), Applicant respectfully elects Group II (claims 1 (in part), 3, 4, and 6-13), drawn to an array of agents where the agents are peptides/proteins, classified in various classes depending on the peptides/proteins, for example, any of class 530, subclasses 300+. Applicant further elects a sol-gel matrix (claim 8), as the cladding; and aminopropylsilylation (claim 11), as the type of derivatization, for prosecution on the merits.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for careful consideration of this case. Please charge any fees that may be associated with this matter, or credit any overpayments, to our Deposit Account No. 03-1721.

Respectfully submitted,


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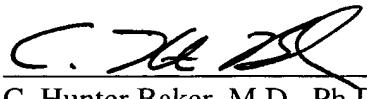
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Enclosed please find the following documents regarding the above-referenced matter:

- 1) Response to Restriction/Election Requirement
- 2) Return Postcard

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